

CHAPTER NO. 841

HOUSE BILL NO. 2220

By Representatives Kent, McDaniel

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2235

By Senators Person, Atchley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated 8-7-110 related to Drug Task Forces.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated 8-7-110 is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a) Any law enforcement officer or Assistant District Attorney General or District Attorney General Criminal Investigator assigned to or hired by a judicial district or multi-judicial district task force relating to the investigation and prosecution of drug and violent crime cases shall have the same rights, powers, duties and immunities in every jurisdiction within the judicial district as such officer has within the officer's own jurisdiction. Such assignment shall be made in writing by the chief law enforcement official of the assigning jurisdiction; including, but not limited to sheriff departments, police departments, task forces, state law enforcement agencies and district attorneys general offices and shall not become effective until approved by the Board of Directors or Governing or Advisory Board of the task force and/or the District Attorneys General of the Judicial District. The Director of a Judicial District Drug Task Force shall have the authority to commission personnel assigned to or hired by the task force with the approval of the District Attorney General.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated 8-7-110 is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (b) and redesignating existing subsections accordingly:

(b) Any law enforcement officer or Assistant District Attorney General or District Attorney General Criminal Investigator assigned to or hired by a judicial district or multi-judicial district task force relating to the investigation and prosecution of drug and violent crime cases shall have the same rights, powers, duties, and immunities statewide as such officer has within the officers own judicial district or multi-judicial district, provided that investigations conducted outside the officers jurisdiction originated within the officers own jurisdiction and is immediately necessary to an ongoing investigation; or by working in cooperation with another judicial district or multi-judicial district task force or law enforcement agency; or where there exist a mutual aid agreement between the judicial districts or multi-judicial district task forces approved by each District Attorney General.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated 8-7-110(c) is amended by inserting "but not limited to" between "of" and "drug" in line three.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated 8-7-110(c) is amended by inserting "and violent crime" between "drug" and "cases" in line three.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated 8-7-110(c) is amended by inserting "or inter-local" between "aid" and "agreement" in line four.


SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 16, 1998


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 29th day of April 1998


DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR